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Easton, Sept 15th, 1858.

Prof. A. Gray

Dear Doctor

I made my usual annual visit to the mountains north of this place, a few weeks ago. Among the collections made, I find several plants, new to Pennsylvania. I hope to be able to furnish you with specimens soon,

The little umbellifer which I collected last year, one of which I sent you a specimen in leaf, I found in flower this season. I enclose specimens. You will find umbel, of flower, on each specimen and a separate umbel from another specimen of the plant. It abounds in a mountain stream in quiet as well as rapid water, but grows largest in still water. It is always submerged. In the two or three miles of the stream, where it abounds, I did not find one rising to the surface, made these plants, here,



is quite common with it. You will find  
Some of it adhering to the smaller specimen  
attached as it was, when taken from the  
stream.

The plant is doubtless a Sium, and  
certainly wholly different from our described  
Species. While it abounds where I found it, I  
Saw but one individual specimen of Sium  
lineare, Michx., for miles.

A part of your general description  
will not apply to this plant, viz. "lanceolate  
serrate leaflets, or the immense one, cut  
into capillary divisions". I have not seen  
any so cut, though all are immense. Many  
of them are broad-ovate, and some quite round.

The specimens vary <sup>in size</sup> from those inclosed,  
to 1' and 18' - but all sizes bloom.

They grow in a region never visited  
by any botanist but myself, though frequently  
visited by the disciples of good Isaac Wallis.

What say you of it? I will endeavor  
to get the fruit this fall.

Yr truly  
Traill Green

By what Express can I send you a package?